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REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

		Attorney Docket No.	826.1627	
		Application Number	09/669,663	
		Filing Date	September 26, 2000	
		First Named Inventor	Katsuhito FUJIMOTO et al.	
		Group Art Unit	2622	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	176.00	Examiner Name	Houshang Safaipour	

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	32	- 32 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	11	- 9 =	2	X \$ 88.00 =	176.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>October 29, 2004</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); (2 months (\$430); (3 months (\$980); (4 months					
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$340.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
TOTAL FEES DUE =					

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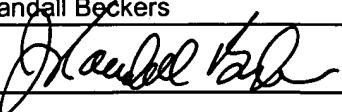
METHOD OF PAYMENT

<input type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed as payment.
<input type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.
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GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:
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Deposit Account Name STAAS & HALSEY LLP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR BINARIZING A MULTILEVEL IMAGE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on October 29, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.